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1. RE PARA 4 REFTTEL. PARA 11 OF MFA ART 11 DEALS SOLELY WITH
RESTRICTIONS IN EFFECT AT THE COMMENCEMENT OF THE ARRANGMENT;
I.E., JAN 1, 1974.

2. WITHIN THE FIRST FIFTEEN MONTHS OF MFA THE TSB EX-
AMINED ALL RESTRICTIONS NOTIFIED BY PARTICIPANT DEVELOPING
COUNTRIES UNDER PROVISIONS MFA ART 2 AND, WITH TWO EXCEPTIONS,
CONCLUDED SUCH RESTRICTIONS WERE JUSTIFIED UNDER THE GATT
BALANCE-OF-PAYMENTS EXEMPTIONS. RESTRICTIONS MAINTAINED BY
SPAIN AND MEXICO WERE SUBJECT SPECIAL TSB EXAMINATION, AND
MAINTENANCE THESE RESTRICTIONS HAS BEEN REVIEWED ANNUALLY.

3. U.S., CANADA AND NORDICS AND OTHER MSALLER IMPORTING
COUNTRIES HAD RENEGOTIATED OR WERE IN PROCESS CONCLUDING
RENEGOTIATIONS ALL EXISTING RESTRICTIONS INTO CONSONANCE
WITH MFA WITHIN THE FIRST FIFTEEN MONTHS OF THE ARRANGE-
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4. THE EC, HOWEVER, HAD NOT CONDLUED ALL ITS BILATERALS
WITHIN THE FIRST FIFTEEN MONTHS AS SOME WERE STILL UNDER
NEGOTIATION AT THE EXPIRY OF THAT PERIID. FURTHER,
SINCE EC BILATERALS WERE SELECTIVE, EC MAINTAINED RE-
STRICTIONS UNDER PROVISION OF ART 2 PARA 2(I) ON

SOME ITEMS FOR SOME MEMBER STATES (PRINCIPALLY FRANCE AND UK) UNTIL PHASE-OUT PROGRAM WAS COMPLETED MARCH 31, 1977. THESE RESTRICTIONS WERE SUBJECT OF SEVERAL COMPLAINTS HEARD BY TSB IN 1975, 1976 AND 1977. TSB, IN EVERY CASE, HELD THAT MAINTENANCE THESE RESTRICTIONS WAS UNJUSTIFIED UNDER MFA. SELECTED DOCUMENTATION TSB FINDINGS BEING AIRPOUCHED SMITH TODAY. SORENSON

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